MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE.

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MOTTO:—Live For Our Friends—Do The Greatest Amount of Good We Can to the Largest Number of People.

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NEW COURT HOUSE

Question Being Discussed by Many of Our Citizens.

It was remarked by a citizen who lives out in the county, last week while in town, that "there is no doubt but what the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE is educating the people to the fact that we must have a new Court House, and if the 'knocking' is kept up, it is sure to come."

This is a bit encouraging. We have done our best to convince the public of the importance of this step. Everyone knows the need of it. We have from time to trme, pointed out the facts and made it so clear that any man in Knox county who will take a glance at the old Court House and consider for a moment the condition in which everything in connection with it is, will be forced to admit the fact that a new court house is very badly needed.

Judge Faulkner has given numerous lectures from the bench to the grand juries regarding the court house and as yet there is no visible steps taken to get a better one.

At the opening of court last week the Judge assured the jury and everyone present after again urging upon them the importance of building the new court house that "if the work is undertaken while he is on the bench that he will see to it that no one gets a 'graft' out of it, that the people's money shall be judiciously expended and that we get value received."

Now why not begin at once and have the vote taken to issue bonds and build the new court house while we have such assurances as these? Our county is out of debt and abundantly able to erect a new court house in keeping with the times and one that would be a credit instead of a disgrace to our county, and at the same time one that would be serviceable for all purposes for which it is intended. This can be done and paid for without taxing the people sufficiently to be felt.

We believe that the bonds, if voted on and carried, could be sold and redeemed and no man in the county would ever notice any change in his tax rates.

By tearing away the old building and using the material in the new building, it would only require a few thousand dollars and by allowing say ten years in which to redeem the bonds, the debt would be paid off and no one would ever feel the burden.

Then think of the satisfaction we all would derive from the new Court House. Instead of having the finger of scorn pointed at it and hearing the remarks that "Knox county has the 'sorriest' Court House of any county in the mountains of Kentucky" we would hear it said that "Knox county has the best, most serviceable, most comfortable and attractive Court House in the mountains of Kentucky, and it is a credit to her citizens."

Now let's have the Court House and enjoy it while we live and at the sane time show to the outside world that we have enough pride and energy to want to keep abreast with the outside world, and that we propose to do it.

LEXINGTON HERALD

To Change Hands and Become Consolidated With the Morning Democrat.

News comes from Lexington, that Editor Walton of the Morning Democrat is negotiating for the purchase of the Morning Herald plant, and will consolidate the two papers and publish the consolidated paper from the present office of the Herald.

Desha Breckinridge, the present Manager of the Herald will retire from the newspaper work and resume the practice of law.

The Herald today is recognized as one of the leading daily papers of the State but in the death of Col. W. C. Breckinridge as chief Editor it lost its lustre and no man cean take his place ahd so ably perform that duty.

The consolation of the two papers will materially strengthen the Democrat but will not materially strengthen the Herald.

This will leave only two daily papers in Lexington, and the footing that the Leader now has with the Honorable Samuel Judson Robets, at the helm will remain unshaken and he will contenue to preach the true docurine of Republicanism to the people of Kentucky in a way that will have a telling effect.

OVERSEERS

Of Our County Roads Who Have Neglected Their Official Duty Are Indicted.

There has been a great deal of complaint coming from different sections of the county concerning the condition of the county roads and the neglect of the Overseers in having them properly worked.

The Court called the attention of the grand jury to this fact and we are informed that there have been a number of road Overseers indicted.

We do not rejoice at the troubles of anyone, and regret that the Overseers of the roads of Knox county have been so neglectful of their duty as to make this step necessary, but the people of this county are deserving of good roads and if it takes this kind of action to secure the desired results, we are glad that we have officials at the head of the county's affairs of our county who will not shrink from their duty, and through them we can have recourse and secure the desired results.

We hope that this will prove a warning to all, and we further hope to see every road in the county put in good condition for travel at once.

If the Overseers will not do their duty without it we trust that the fines imposed upon them by the jury will be such that they will not soon forget it, and in this way if in no other, succeed in getting for our county a system of good roads.

THE WATER WORKS

Proposition Begins to Look Like Business.

One of the important improvements that we have all long insisted upon our town making is that of establishing a good system of Water-works. We have urged this because of the fact that the town needs it and can hardly do without it in numerous ways the most important being the protection it would offord against the ravages of fire not to speak of the satisfaction it wonld afford our citizens to have an inexaustibe supply of water for the watering of ther lawns flowers, gardens, etc. and for sprinkling the streets during the hot, dry weather Summer in and by no meas least the plasure of having the water conveniens for batheiny purpose where one can bathe and refresh themselves often. This is vesy essential to health and all of these advantage are at our hand if we will only secure a good water-works system.

Our City Council has consented to sell the franchise for this plant and to that end have inserted the sale notice, elsewhere in this issue. We have no doubt but what some one will buy the franchise and if proper arrangements can be reached with the Council the plant will soon be installed in our town. This we also believe will be done, as the City Clerk has been able by facts and figures to show to the Council where the city is now abundantly adle to subscribe and pay for 30 fire plugs and pay for them as the rate of $25.00 each per year and still have sufficient money left for the running expenses of the city.

This being the case then the Water-works can then be put in and the Company behind the progect will take the chances of securing enough service from the citizens to justify them to install the water plant. We feel hopeful that the dawn of a new life in our town is about to break in upon us and that with the coming of the Water works will also come the Steam Loundry and many other useful and necessary improvements and our town will soon be recognized as one of the best, if not thebest town in the mountaihs of Kentucky.

DISASTROUS CONFLAGRATION.

"Queen City" Hotel Entirely Consumed by Fire Early Yesterday Morning.

Fire Started Near the Roof About Four O'olock and as There Were no Water Facilities For Fighting the Flames, The Citizens Were Forced to Stand and Look on While Flames Consumed the Entire Building.

Yesterday morning at 4 o'clock the fire whistle sounded at the electric light plant any many of the citizens of the town arose earlier than usual to learn that the "Queen City" Hotel was on fire.

The fire was first discovered by Marian Richardson, who lives near, before it had gained any headway. He ran to the hotel and aroused the inmates, and they all succeeded in saving all the furniture.

There were about three different families living in the building, which was a large three and one half story frame, erected during the boom days of the eighties, and cost, when built, $15,000.

The building was a handsome structure in its day, and finished throughout with hardwood and would have been a credit to any town.

Since the boom days there has been a great falling off in the value of the property, and only last summer this property was sold for about $4,700.

The building belonged to Mr. George Smith, who carried $3,000 insurance on it.

A large crowd soon gathered at the scene of the conflagration, but after the household effects were removed they could do nothing but stand and watch the flames lick up the entire building.

Fortunately there was no other buildings situated sufficiently near to catch fire, and the flames exhausted themselves on the one building and burned themselves out.

The fire is only an evidence of what we have all along contended, that should a fire start there would be no way to control it without a system of water-works.

Had our town been properly equipped for fire protection this fire could have been extinguished with only a trifling loss; whereas there was almost enough on this one building to have installed a water-works plant in the town.

How long will the citizens slumber and delay in the matter of giving protection to us that we so much?

Some day we will stand by and see the entire business part of the town laid in ashes, and all for the lack of enough enterprise to even permit some one else who is willing to invest their money in a good cause if the franchise privileges were granted them, who would install the necessary water system for us.

Let's take the warning given in this lesson and prepare for the future before it is too late.

TOTAL VOTE

In Presidential and Congressional Races.

The total vote cast in the Presidential and Congressional races was announced by Secretary of State McChesney last week after the arrival of the belated Harrison county vote, tied up in the recent injunction suits in the Ninth Congressional district. The total Democratic vote for the leading Democratic elector was 217,170; for the leading Republican elector 205,277; Prohibitionist, 6,609; Socialist, 3,602; Populist, 2,511, and Social Labor, 596.

It will be seen that Parker's plurality is 11,893. In 1900 Bryan received 234,299, and McKinley 222,801, a falling off of 27,729 of the Democratic vote and 21,524 from the Republican vote.

The vote for Beckham in 1903 was 233,052 and Yerkes 229,363, which shows a falling off of 15,982 from the Yerkes vote.

The vote for Congressmen is as follows.

First District—James, Democrat, 25,558; Speight, Republitan, 13,755.

Second district—Stanley, Democrat, 20,732; Overby, Republican, 16,517.

Third district—Richardson, Democrat, 18,432; Jones, Republican, 18,332.

Fourth District—Smith, Democrat, 21,979; Bruner, Repulican 19,419.

Fifth District—Sherley, Democrat, 23,712; Owens, Republican, 22,229.

Sixth District—Rhinock, Democrat, 18,854; Applegate, Republican, 16,089.

Seventh District—Trimble, Democrat, 20,356; Calvert, Republican 13,187.

Eight District—Gilbert, Democrat, 16,481; Miles, Republican, 14,536.

Ninth District—Kehoe, Democrat, 21,291; Bennett, Republican, 21,335.

Tenth District—Hopkins, Democrat, 19,154; Blakey, Republican, 17,736.

Eleventh District—Stone, Democrat, 13,200; Edwards, Republican, 31,349.

For Judge Court of Appeals—Cantrill, Democrt, 34,761; Herndon, Republican, 27,138.

Holiday is Near!

And all the Young Folks are thinking about

THOSE HANDSOME

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Filled with CHOICE CANDIES and FRUITS that they are expecting to give or receive.

The best place to get them filled to the Queens taste is at

Wilson Brothers.

They have just what you want, and know exactly how to arrange it to be neat and attractive.

No matter what you want in the line of CHRISTMAS GOODS you can get it at

WILSON BROTHERS.

Boxes neatly filled to order.

A CHEERFUL CALL TO CHRISTMAS BUYERS

Our Bright, Sparkling Line of

Christmas Goods are now ready for your inspection Come and Look

Your Judgment will tell you what to do

You will be delighted with the

Fine Display of Holiday Goods.

We have anticipated your wants and have just the goods that will please you. Our Stock is Thoroughly up with the times in variety and novelty in every department. You know we always carry the Largest Stock and get all the discounts and you get the Right Prices.

If you want to Buy Right, if you want to be Treated Right, Make our Store HEADQUARTERS FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS BUYING.

COSTELLOW DRUG COMPANY.

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REPUBLICAN NOMINEES

For November Election, 1905.

For County Judge	Flem D. Sampson.
" " Attorney	W. R. Lay.
" " Clerk	C. C. Smith.
" Sheriff	Dan H. Williams.
" Jailer	G. N. Buchanan.
" Sup't of Schools	Ben E. Parker
" Assessor	G. H. Hammons.
" Surveyor	W. F. Westerfield.
" Coroner	Hiram Yeary.

FIRST DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	Alex. M. Smith.
" Constable	T. M. Richardson.

SECOND DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	W. H. Burch.
" Constable	C. B. Pigman.

THIRD DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	W. M. Miller.
" Constable	Sim Shusher.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	John W. Messer.
" Constable	—— Bingham.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	T. G. Hammons.
" Constable	— — — Smith.

SIXTH DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	M. A. Widner.
" Constable	—— Sambles.

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	E. F. McKeehan.
" Constable	—— Rose

EIGHT DISTRICT.

For Magistrate	Isaham Lawson.
" Constable	A. J. Bull.

Bryan's Faraway Gaze.

WHATEVER importance attaches to Mr. Bryan's latest appearance as a prophet of politics is derived from his insistance that there is no future of promise for the Democratic party except in going over to Socialism. For the present he does not argue that the Democrats should accept the whole Socialistic platform of the confiscation of all industries and properties. He would be content for the moment with the seizure of what he calls "natural monopolies." He defines a city water plant to be such a monopoly "because it is impossible to have a number of competing water system. The same is true," he says, "of lighting plants and other muncipal enterprises. Competition is practically impossible in such cases, and the Democrats, as a rule—and the rule is becoming more and more nearly universal—favor municipal ownership not because the principle of competion is bad, but because the competition in the case of muncipal plants is impossible."

In a subsequent sentence Bryan contradicts Bryan. He has started in with an assertion of public ownership of "natural monopolies" only, but he adds that "the private ownership of railroads will cease as soon as the monopolistic plans of the railroad monopolists are realized." Whether he means that the government will take possession of the railroads, or that the monopolists will squeeze out all the small stockholders, is left to the judgment of those skilled in the interpretation of oracles. The most reasonable conclusion is that he intends to turn the machinery of transportation over to the hands of the government, for that is an indispensable feature of the Socialistic propaganda. Without adopting it he would be left standing outside of the Socialist breastworks.

"The time is ripe," says Mr. Bryan, "for an appeal to the moral sense of the Nation." Mr. Parker, Mr. Debs, Mr. Watson and all other "also ran" candidates said the same thing over and over again during the recent campaign, and each of them honestly supposed that he was the man appointed to make the appeal. But the people refused to hearken to the voice of alarm. They found that they were doing fairly well as they were and that established conditions suited them. They are not to be frightened now by Mr. Bryan's horrorific wail that if they do not follow him into Socialism there will be an end of all the blessings of life. He does hit upon a truth in declaring that the election returns "prove the folly of trying to run a Democratic campaign on compromises and concessions." The application of this fact to Mr. Bryan's own case is that it would be foolish for him to attempt to conduct a Socialistic campaign unless he is ready to become a Socialist without any compromises or concessions.

THE Court was very earnest in his instructions to the Grand Jury, in regard to the customs practiced now in this section of buying and selling votes at election, and while the Grand Jury failed to indict anyone, there is nevertheless no excuse for not taking vigerous and active steps toward breaking up this practice.

It is a deplorable state of affairs when any man can go out and with the use of money, buy his way into office. When such a custom prevails as that, we have then departed from the customs established by our forefathers, when they fought, bled and died that we might enjoy the rights of a free and independent people.

We hope to see the good people of Kentucky smite this curse and banish it from our land, and defeat any man no matter who he may be, or what his political standing, who shall attempt to overide the wishes of the people and by the use of money place himself in possession of public office. We want to see the right prevail.

WE notice that Mr. D. C. Edwards our Representative elect from this district and Mr. Brownlow the Congressman elect from Eastern Tennessee have met at Washington and discussed the question of introducing a bill in Congress creating a new State in accordance with the plan outlined in the ADVOCATE last spring. This is the first steps that we have seen or heard of along that line, but we feel confident that this plan would meet with the approval of everyone throughout Southeastern Kentucky, and Knoxville would be especially interested as the probabilities are that she would be made the Capital of the new State.

Lets hear someting more along this line and have a new Republican state formed out of the Cumberland Mountains which in a few years would become the richest State in in the group.

Whoop her up Mr. Edwards and you shall have your share of the glory in the event it goes through.

THE hardest blow received by the democratic party in Kentucky this year was the defeat of James N. Kehoe in the Ninth district, for Congress.

Mr. Kehoe was one of the recognized leaders of the New Democracy in Kentucky and for him to receive defeat at the hands of the Republicans this year when he so little expected it was "the blow that nearly killed" but he deserved to be defeated and and the people in the old Ninth as well as other sections of Kentucky have awakened to the fact that good, true, hanest men must be placed in authority, if we want to maintain our standing along side our other sister States.

In the selection of Judge Bennett they have made no mistake.

THE Lexington Democrat says: "Not so fast Mr. Powers; if you are innocent you ought to be able to prove the fact."

Is that the rule by which Bro. Walton proposes that Mr. Powers shall be tried by? There was a time in this old Commonwealth when the rule was that it was incumbent on the prosecution to prove the guilt of an indicted party and that the presumption of innocence attached until guilt had been established.

But the rule seems to have been reversed in his case and the Prosecution demands that he prove his innocence or he already stands with guilt attached until his innocent has been established.

We hope that in will not always be thus in Kentucky.

THE Republican State Central Committee have decided to keep open a permanent headquarters in Louisville, and have a corresponding secretary there who will keep intouch with all the leaders throughout the State.

This is the proper movement; and if properly managed, will result in the party sweeping the old Commonwealth at the next Gubernatorial election.

The trouble heretofore has been that the leaders could never agree among themselves, and this caused wranglings and discord.

Now with a united party and a strong pull the party will enjoy a sweeping victory at the next State election.

WHILE the President's message to Congress was rather a lengthy one, it was so clear and pointed that it left no grounds for criticism even from the most biased democratic papers. He speaks out in plain and unmistaken language, and enter fully into the merits of every question discussed.

The whole world is now convinced that in the person of Theodre Roosevelt we have a safe, honest, fearless, and straight-forward President.

OUR CLUBBING OFFER.

As this is Presidential year and everybody is interested in the National Election and want to get the news, we have made special arrangements with the Louisville Herald to give the following offer:

MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, weekly one year, and the Louisville Herald, daily, both one year for	$ 2.50
ADVOCATE and daily and Sunday Herald	$ 4.00
Advocate and Weekly Herald, both one year	$ 1.30

This is remarkably cheap and will apply to all new subscribers to this paper. Cash in all instances must accompany the order and be sent to this.

If you are a subscriber to the ADVOCATE and want to take advantage of this offer, send us your money and we will extend the time of your subscription, one year more, and send you both papers.

Take advantage of this remarkably low rate while it lasts.

Make all orders payable to D. W. CLARK, and send all orders to the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, Barbourville, Kentucky.

FARMS FOR SALE.

220 acres, six miles from town, two good dwellings, large fruit orchard, two stock barns; about 20 acres cleared, remainder in timber; 150 acres under good fence; contains 3 good veins of coal, one 36-inch, one 44-inch, and one 7 foot vein. Will sell at a great bargain

Apply at this office for price and particulars.

A farm of 160 acres, more or less, one mile from town; plenty of good cultivating land, good coal bank now being worked, good orchard in bearing, two houses, stables, cribs, &c., plenty of water. Will sell at a bargain. Apply at this office for particulars and price. 9 16-tf

HOW TO MAKE MONEY.

Agents should at once write for terms to **Marsh Mfg. Co., 538 W Lake St. Chicago,** and order sample box containing:

1 Cake Shaving Soap	$0.05
1 Cake Beauty Complexion Soap	.25
1 Cake Carbolic Soap	.25
1 Cake Pine Tar Soap	.05
1 Cake Witch Hazel Soap	.10
1 Cake Almond Meal soap	.25
1 Cake Spanish Castile Soap	.05
	$1.00

Nine out of ten families called on order. Here is a snap. $5 to $10 per day. **Sample Box, 25 cents.**

5-6-15 Name this paper when you write.

LISTEN!

I am preparing to make an invoice of my immense stock of goods, and in order to reduce the labor, I will sell all my remnants now in stock at and below cost.

Cash is much easier to invoice than piece goods remnants, etc., in all the different lines in general merchandise, therefore, I offer to give you the advantage of this GREAT SLAUGHTER PRICE SALE for the next few days.

Call early and get choice before the goods are picked over.

L. H. JARVIS.

NOTICE.

Sale of Franchise for A Water-Works System for the City of Barbourville, Ky.

By order of Board of Council of the city of Barbourville, Ky., I will on Tuesday, Decembsr 20, 1904, offer for sale to the highest and best bidder a franchise for the installation, oporation, maintainance in Barbourville, Ky., of a system of water-works under such restriction as may be imposed by the Board of Council, in ordinance of Franchise.

The Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

THOS. D. TINSLEY,
Clerk.

This December 7, 1904.

WANTED—Quickly, few persons to represent long established wholesale house among retail merchants and agents. Local territory of few counties. $18 salary and expenses paid weekly. Expense money advanced. Commission extra. Permanent engagement. Business successful. Previous experience not essential. Enclose self addressed envelop. Address, SUPEREINTDENT TRAVELERS, 325 Dearborn St., Chicago.

Address **WILBUR R. SMITH,**
LEXINGTON, KY.,
For circular of his famous and responsible
COMMERCIAL COLLEGE OF KY. UNIVERSITY
Awarded Medal at World's Exposition.
Refers to thousands of graduates in positions
Cost of Full Business Course, including Tuition, Books and Board in family, about $90.
Shorthand, Type-Writing, and Telegraphy, Specialties.
The Kentucky University Diploma, under seal awarded graduates. Literary Course free, if desired
No vacation. Enter now. Graduates successful.
In order to have your letters reach us, address only,
WILBUR R. SMITH, Lexington, Ky.

Holiday Goods At A. W. HOPPER

DEAR PEOPLE we want to invite you to visit our Store during the Holiday. We always have a Full and Complete line of Goods, but this time we expcet to surpass anything ever seen in Barbourville.

No Matter what you want Come to A. W. HOPPER for it

FRUITS,
CANDIES,
NUTS,
TOYS,

In Fact anything you might wish, if it is in Barbourville you can get it at

A. W. Hopper.

Leave Your ***Laundry*** *At this Office and get Satisfaction*

Emery Clark, Ag't. Naven Laundry.

Lexington, - - Ky.

Bargains! Bargains!

HIGNITE and CHILDERS

are going to move their stock of

DRY GOODS

into their own building, (the Green house on the corner just below the Court House, on the square.)

In order to save the Cost of Moving the Entire Stock and also to Decrease our Stock, we are going to sell from now to

JANUARY 1st.

at prices that will surprise you.

We will give you the BEST GOODS and at PRICES at LEAST

20 per cent Lower

than any STORE in Town.

Come in and see us. You will not leave without buying.

YOURS VERY RESPECTFULLY,

Hignite & Childers.

SPOT CASH PRICES.

3 packages 2 lb. Victor Oats	25
3 packages 2 lb. Bonnie Oats	25
1 package Scotch Oats	10
Good Evaporated Peaches	10
Fancy Evaporated Peaces	12½
1 lb. package Seeded Raisins	10
1 lb. package Currants	10
1 lb. package Evaporated Apples	10
Fancy Timothy Hay, per bale	90
100 lbs. Very Best Shipstuff	1.40
Wire Nails per keg	2.50
Wire Nails, less than keg	.03
Galvanized Barb Wire	2.85
Galvanized Smooth Wire No. 9	2.50

Don't fail to see my immense line of CHRISTMAS GOODS, consisting of fine China, medium priced China, Vases, Figures, Toilet Sets, Water Chamber Sets, Wine Sets; Lamps of all kinds; Triple-Plated Knives, Forks and Spoons. My 5 and 10 cent Line are Better than Ever. Don't fail to see them. All other prices quoted in the last two weeks still hold good. If you want the BEST GOODS at the LOWEST PRICE all the time, go to "OLD COLE'S" all the time.

R. W. COLE.

LOCALS.

Call and see England's "Glove Tree."

Gloves grow on a tree at England's.

The very latest styles in caps at England, Ellison & Co's.

Born—in Middlesboro, to the wife of Edward Hurst, formerly of this cety, a girl.

A little ad in the ADVOCATE may bring you big results. Try it and be convinced.

Beautiful Pictures

At England, Ellison & Co. You get them for 10 cents.

WANTED—Timber Land Describe and State Lowest Price.
T. KOEN, 19 Paint St. Chillicothe, Ohio.

Christmas Goods.

England, Ellison & Co. have a line of Xmas goods in the line of table linen, napkins, &c. Also a nice line of silverware.

Look at the handsome christmas toys in the Show windows at Herndons. There are lots of nice things inside display. Come in and make your selections before they have been culled out.

Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Albright entertained last night for their daughter, Clarence, at their home on River street. A number of young people were present. The occasion was Miss Albright's seventeenth anniversary.

"Long Live the Queen."

We mean the Queen of Skirts. England, Ellison & Co. is the only firm who sell these skirts. These skirts are better made, fit better and sell faster than all others.

The Protracted services at the Southern Methodist Church closed last Sunday night after a very successful series of about two weeks. There were 8 addition and 14 conventions. Rev. C. K. Dickey was assasisted by Rev. Allen, of Middlesboro.

Takes the Cake.

We clip the following from the Mt. Olivet Tribune, which we give to our readers and they can form their own conclusions. It says:

"A novel and successful plan to secure water during these drouthy times was adopted by Postmaster Young. He was told that if he would put a cake of corn-bread in one of his sunken and dry springs, the crawfish would work their way up to the surface to partake of the bread, and that the vein of water would follow them. Mr. Young tried the experiment a few evenings since, and was surprised the next morning to find his pool filled with water. This beats going to the expense of employing a drilling outfit to bore as a water producer."

England, Ellison & Co. claim to have sold more cloaks this season than for many seasons passed.

R. W. Cole has a choice selection of Christmas presents, and those desiring to get choice should hurry, as they are going rapidly.

Mrs. M. E. Cole returned last Saturday morning from a ten days' visit to Virginia, where she visited relatives and her old home. While there she met friends and relatives whom she had not seen since her girlhood days.

Leap year will soon be gone and the girls who fail to make use of the remaining few days may have to wait for four more years for the apportunity that still awaits them. Hurry girls, do not wait and be doomed to to four years of going it alone.

We call attention of our readers to the advertisement of Parker & Parker in this issue. They have a nice line of goods and are selling strictly for cash. Give them a call and you will be convinced that their prices, as well as their goods, are right.

Santa Claus has taken up his headquarters at A. N. Herndon's Store where the little folks can find a nice selection for christmas toys such as dolls sleds and many others items to numerous to mention. You will have to see them to appreciate the nice selection in stock there to select from.

Baby Burned.

The two-year-old baby boy of William Fisher living on Little Richland creek three miles from town was severly burned by falling in the fire. One arm and the face was badly burned. Dr. Lock was called and dressed the burns.

Watch the columns of the ADVOCATE to see where you can get your Christmas bargains. All the wide-awake merchants are using space with us and inviting you to visit them. Observe this admonition; don't go where you are not invited when you receive an invitation every week to trade with the best merchants in town.

We invite the attention of our readers this week to the large display ad of the Costellow Drug Co, which appears in this issue.

They have a choice selection of Christmas goods suitable for holiday presents, and those desiring to give presents to their friends should not fail to inspect this selection before purchasing.

Young Garvey who is employed as pumper on the Miller lease while pumping oil a few days ago had his face severely burned with gas. While reading by the boiler the gas formed in the fire box and puffed out burning him severely and setting the oil on fire. The oil was soon extinguished and Garvey was hurried to a physician who immediately dressed his burns and he is again able to go about.

Caught Hawk In Bonnett.

The Larue Herald is responsible for the following story. It says.

"Mrs. John Hart of near Tonieville, had an unusual experience with a large hawk a few days ago. She went out into the yard and saw a large hawk on top of one of her largest chickens, with its talons buried in to the chicken, preparatory to carrying it oft for a feast. But the chicken was too large for the hawk to carry it away against its will, and it was not inclined to be a party at the hawk's dinner, with the hawk the master of ceremonies. Consequently the hawk was unable to rise from the ground with its victim, and Mrs. Hart went to the chicken's defense. She started to the house for the gun but the hawk suddenly let go of the chicken, which ran away, and Mrs. Hart pulled off her bonnet and throw ing it over the hawk captured it and carried it into the house and bound it with twine until her husband came home. It was a very large hawk and able to put up a good fight.

THE HOME CIRCLE COLUMN.

Crude Thoughts as they Fall from the Editorial Pen. Pleasant Evening Reveries.

A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

THE WIFE TO HER HUSBAND.

Linger not long. Home is not home
without thee:
Its dearest tokens do but make me
mour.
O, let its memory, like a chain about
thee,
Gently compel and hasten thy
return!

Linger not long. Though crowds
should woo thy staying.
Bethink thee, can the mirth of
friends, though dear,
Compensate for the grief thy long
delaying
Costs the fond heart that sighs to
have thee here?

Linger not long. How shall I watch
thy coming?
As evening shadows stretch o'er
moor and dell
When the wild bee hath ceased her
busy humming
And silence hangs on all things like
a spell!

How shall I watch for thee, when
fears grow stronger,
As night grows dark and darker
on the hill!
How shall I weep, when I can watch
no longer!
Ah! art thou absent, art thou absent still?

Yet I shall grieve not though the
eye that seeth me
Gazeth through tears that make
its splendor dull;
For O, I sometimes for fear when
thou art with me
My cup of happiness is all too full.

Haste, haste thee home unto thy
mountain dwelling,
Haste, as a bird unto its peaceful
nest!
Haste, as a skiff through tempest
wide and swelling,
Flies to its haven of securest rest!

A PICTURE FROM REAL LIFE.

A comfortable home with nothing more than ordinary surroundings, but an attractive daughter carefully and christianly reared. From the outside world comes in a man with nothing but money—unless you count profanity and selfishness and fondness for champaign and general recklessness as a part of his professions. He has his coat collar turned up when there is no chill in the air, but because it gives him an air of abandon; and eye glass, not because he is near-sighted, but because it gives him a classical appearance, and with an attire somewhat loud, a cane thick enough to be the club of Hercules and clutched at the middle, his conversation interlarded with French phrases inaccurately pronounce. By arts learned of the devil he insinuates himself into the affections of the daughter of that christian home. Reports come in that the young man is fast in his habits; that he has broken several young hearts and that he is selfish and cruel But all this is covered up with the fact that he has several houses in his own name and large deposits at the bank. The marriage day comes and goes. The wedding ring was costly enough and the orange blossoms fragrant enough and the benediction solemn enough. Now see them in their new home. He turns out to be a tryant. Instead of the kind words she left behind in her former home, now their are complaints and fault findings and curses. He is the master and she is the slave. Can halls of mosaic, could violins played by an Ole bull or pianos fingered by a Gottschalk make a wife in such a companionship happy? Imprisoned in a castle! Her gold bracelets are the chains of a lifelong servitude. Her wardrobe is full of shrouds for deaths which she dies daily. Before things are right in this world, genteel villians are to be expurgated. Instead of being welcomed into respectable society because of the amount of medals and estates they represent, they ought to be fumigated two or three years before they are allowed to put their hand on the door knob of a moral house. The time must come when a masculine estray. All the money or social position a bad man brings to moman in marriage is a splendid dispair, a prolonged death. Consent not to join one of the many regiments of women who have married for worldly success without regard to moral character.

DISSIPATIONS DESTROY HEALTH.

PRACTICAL religion is a friend of longevity in a fact that it is a protest against dissipations which injure and destroy the health. Bad men and women live a very short life. Their sins kill them. You all know many good old men and but very few bad old men. Why? Bad men seldom live to get old. Lord Byron died at Missoloughi at thirty-six years of age, himself his own Mazeppa, his unbriddled passions the horse that dashed with him into the desert. Edgar Allen Poe died at Baltimore at thirty- eight years of age. The black raven that alighted on the bust above his chamber door was delirium tremens.

Only this and nothing more.

Napoleon Bonaparte lived only just beyond mid-life, and died at St. Helena, and one of his doctors said that his disease was induced by excessive snuffing. You have known many people who have not lived out half their days on account of their dissipations and indulgences. Now practical religion is a protest against all dissipation of all kind.

But you say professors of religion have fallen, professors of religion have got drund, professors of religion have misappropriated trust funds, professors of religion have absconded. This is all true but they threw away their religion before did their morality and before they did these evil acts. If a man on a White Star Line steamer bound for Liverpool in mid-Atlantic jumps overboard and is drowned, is that anything against the White Star Line's capacity to take the man across the ocean? And if a man jumps over the gunwhale of his religion and goes down never to rise, is that any reason for your believing that relion has no capacity to take the man clear through? In the one case if he had kept to the steamer his body would have been saved; in the other case if he had kept to his religion his morals would have been saved.

THERE are a great many who try to feed their soul on infidelity mixed with truth. They say the Bible has good things in it, but it is not inspired. They say Christ was a good man, but He was not inspired, and that religion is made up of ten degrees of humanitarianism, and ten degrees of egotism with one degree of gospel truth, and on a poor, miserable cud they make their immortal soul chew, while the meadows of God's world are green and luxuriant with well-watered pastures. Did you ever see a happy infidel? Did you ever meet a placid skeptic? Did you ever meet a contented atheist? Not one. From the days of Gibbon Voltaire down, not one. They quarrel about God. They quarrel about each other. They take all the divine teachings and gather them together, and under them they put the fire of their own wit, and scorn and sarcasm and then they dance in the light of that blaze and they scratch amid the rubbish for something with which to help them in the days of trouble, and something to comfort them in the days of death. Find nothing. Voltaine declared: "This globe seems to me more like a collection of carcasses than of men. I wish I never had been born."

Fair Directors Meet.

There was a meeting of the Knox County Fair Directors held at the office of Judge J. S. Miller, on last Saturday. Judge Miller was chosen as chairman of the meeting, and W. W. Tinsley, secretary.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the ensuing year, which was done as follows:

John G. Matthews, president; G. H. Albright, vice president; W. W. Tinsley secretary; F. R. Barner, treasurer. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to meet again on the first Saturday in January, 1905, at 1 o'clock p. m.

PERSONALS.

D. K. Rawlins, of Manchester, was in town last Sunday.

Wm, Sparr, of Corbin, is visiting in town this week.

Mrs. O. C. McClung is visiting her mother Mrs. Dickinson this week.

Mrs. H. C. Faulkner is quite ill this week with neuralgia and grip.

Frank Letcher and wife visited in Corbin last Saturday and Sunday.

S. A. D. Jones, of Richmond was in this city this week attending court.

Miss Carpenter, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Miss Gertrude Black.

Vilous and Albert Wells, of Artemus, spent last Sunday here visiting friends.

Master Willie Stanfill, son of J. F. Stanfill, is quite ill with an attack of pneumonia fever.

Chas. Rathfon will leave next week for Port Huron, Mich., to spend the Holidays with home folks.

Mrs. Smyth is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. C. Faulkner, suffering with an attack of fever.

Miss Alice Mayhew has returned to her home at Perry, Oklahoma, after an extended visit to relatives here.

Mrs. J. H. Tinsley, of Covington, who was visiting her sister Mrs. Wm. Lock here last week, left Monday morning for Atlanta, Ga., to spend the Christmas holiday with her daughter Mrs. I. T. Catron.

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3:50 a. m.	4:00 p. m.	Barbourville	9:37 a. m.	10:42 p. m.
3:58 a. m.	4:10 p. m.	Artemus	9:29 a. m.	10:35 p. m.
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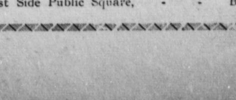

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Be careful not to write anything that will prove offensive to any one; a good joke is appreciated by all, but we want to make friends and not enemies of all with whom we come in contact.

Write on only one side of your paper and be sure to sign your own name to the manuscript—not for publication but for future reference and to show good faith—a failure to do this will hereafter necessarily consign your letters to the waste basket.

Please read these notes and bear them in mind, and write on one side of the paper only.

Respectfully,
THE EDITOR.

Hopper.

Snowy, wet weather and muddy roads.

Cracking walnuts and popping corn is all the go here.

Will Hopper, our clever postmaster, passed Friendship church last Sunday with a cat in a pair of saddle pockets.

Misses Bessie Gibson and Ida Riley visited Dollie Cory, Sunday.

Perry Jarvis, of Jarvis Store, was on Bull creek last Sunday for the first time in seven years.

J. J. Cory and wife were in Barbourville the first of the week.

Gilbert Cobb, the hustling drummer, gave the merchants a pleasant call here last week. U. S.

Crane's Nest.

On December 3d J. H. Black's store was broken into, robbed and set on fire. Loss, 1,000. There was no insurance on the building.

J. H. Black has sold his saw mill outfit to L. T. Botner for spot cash.

Press Jones is shipping J. H. Black's corn mill to W. T. Payne & Co. for repairs.

W. H. Hubbard has just returned from Lexington. EAGLE.

Cannon.

[Left over from last week.]

We are having some very rough weather now and the roads are getting bad.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Henry Jackson, Jr., who died Friday night at 12 o'clock after some several months' illness, though not hardly confined to her bed until death struck her. She leaves a husband and one little baby and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

Your correspondent was in Barbourville Monday on business.

Jasper Willis and son, of this place visited Will Martin and John Miller, of Jarvis' Store, Monday.

We see that Frank Hammons is moving in the house that Robert Daniels moved out of some time ago. We are glad to have Frank in our midst, though Robert was a good neighbor.

J. F. Willis is visiting friends and relatives in Claiborn county, Tenn. GRIT.

Jarvis Store.

Several of the boys are at town this week attend court.

The roads are very muddy in this section of the country but they do not get too bad for the boys to go courting.

Henry Lawson was visiting friends at Knox Fork last Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs John Miller and Fayette Dizney was at Bertha the early part of this week on business.

I wonder why James Abner was not at Knox Fork Sunday. Who knows?

Rev. J. E. Bretz's regular appointment is the fourth Sunday in this month, Christmas day lets give him a large audiance.

John Dozier is opperating a coal mine this week.

Miss Fannie Beatty, of Emanuel, was visiting her brother John Beatty and family the first part of the week.

Xmas is not far away lets enjoy ourselves and have a good time for we may never see another one.

If you want the news subscribe for the ADVOCATE. JUMBO.

State News.

Marrion Winton a night watchman was killed at Middlesboro by falling slate.

Edward Wilson a piano tuner of Dayton, was probably fatally shot by his father-in-law.

George Crowley an employe of the electric light plant at Guthrie, was instantly killed while cleaning a lamp.

Another attempt has been made to destroy with dynamite the buildings of the iron foundry and machine shops at Newport.

The home and barn of Lee Williams, at Smith's Grove were destroyed by fire including all the household effects, loss $3,000 with no insurance.

In a brawl near Lancaster last Saturday night at a colored festival one colored man named Mitchell and another named Sebastin were shot, and died immediately.

The contest between Dr. Hunter and Mr. Edwards is expected to come up before the Contest Committee this week. Both claim confidence in winning the seat.

In Wayne county a small child of Wm. Mercer was left in a room while the mother stepped out, when she returned the child had overturned its chair and fallen into the fire and burned to death.

Judge Shaw, of Covington, has sustained a motion of the defense in the case of John Lieberth, charged with the murder of John Lansdomn, to inquire whether or not the prisoner is of unsound mind.

At Hopkinsville the wife of Capt. W. S. Goodwin while walking across the room caught her foot under a rug and fell, breaking three of her ribs Owing to to her advanced age, 82, it is probable that her injuries may prove fatal.

Excitment prevails in Carter county owing to the rich gas strike made on the James Boggs farm by oil drillers. The gas came in so strong from the well that it could not be plugged and vast quantities were wasted.

The $1 0,000 damage suit brought by Mrs. J B. Marcum in the Clark County Circuit Court against Judge James Hargis, Senator Alex Hargis, Sheriff Ed Callahan and Judge French was begun at Winchester this week. She alleges that the above named men conspired together and brought about the assassination of her hus band, J. B. Marcum, at Jackson last May. The trial is an exceedingly interesting one, and is attracting wide attention.

John L. Jones and John P. Howard were both shot and instantly killed in a free-for-all fight in Harlan county Wednesday. Trouble had existed between the two factions for some years, and when they met at a county store the trouble was renewed, and when the smoke of battle had cleared away these two men were found dead.

CIRCUIT COURT.

There has been to all appearandes very little done in court since our last report.

The Grand Jury made its final report last Saturday to the Court and was excused from further service. Contrary to the expectatio of many the Grand Jury failed to indict anyone in connection with the recent elections, although the Court had given very rigid instructions aleng that line.

Monday morning the case of the Commonwealth versus Pal Carnes, charged with murder, was begun.

It will be remembered that Pal Carnes and Jim Gray were the two men who shot Clark and John Mills at Henry Mills' store on Stinking creek last spring.

The case was finally submitted to the jury on Wednesday morning, and after being out twenty-four hours, brought in a verdict of guilty, and fixed his punishment at eight years in the penitentiary.

The case of Thomas Aslinger, for shooting and wounding, with intent to kill, not guilty.

SOUTHERN MEN

Teach the Nation How to Farm.

We have been so long accustomed to look to northern writers for our best educational books that it is decidedly a cause for satisfaction to have our own authors sought for by the leading publishers of school-books. But the recent book lists do show that Southern authors are contributing more and more to the broad national educational literature.

A late addition to the school-books which are the product of Southen brains is a volume on agriculture by Professors Burkett, Stevens, and Hill of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. It may seem remarkable to some that the South, which is supposid to know how to produce but a few staple crops that are particularly suited to its climate and soil, should be called upon to instruct the whole nation, including the great northern belt with its much vaunted diversified farming. But the excellence of southern farming is more widely recognized than we have realized. It was not very long ago that a northen farming expert was heard to remark that the best farm journal in the county, both in matter and appearance, is published in the South and its contributors are Southern men.

We do not know how it was that Ginn and Company, the Boston school-book publishers, came to select these North Carolina professors to write this new book on 'Agriculture,' but it is a dmitted on all sides, north, south, east and west, that they have succeeded in giving the main principles of agriculture in a nutshell. They have given such a combination of scientific and practical kowlledge of agriculture as has never before been brought within such a small compass. The book is called "Agriculture for Beginners," and while simple enough for a youth to comprehend, yet it is packed full of information of value to the practical farmer. Everybody on a farm or plantation should read the book; and if his big brother, or father, or uncle gets a copy into his hands he, too, will find it mighty inetresting reading. The practical farmer who has done some deep thinking about the HOW and the RESULTS of farming will find on every page of this handbook explanations of the WHY. In reading this little book the old farmer will exclaim time and again: "Well, that explains it. I never knew just how it was before."

This book will enterest every farmer's boy in his work, and will give him new ideas enough to last him a lifetime. It will start the young farmer to thinking for himself and offers sprouts of information, which, if followed up, will grow into trees of knowledge.

Not only is the reading matter clear, concise and explanatory, but the beautiful illustrations are so apt and suggestive that there is not much to hope for in the country boy, or man either, who fails to receive inspiration from them.

This book tells first about soils—the various kinds, how they orignated, and how they may be improved. Next is taken up the relation of the soil to the plant and how the former supplies food to plant roots. Then follows a description of the action of the plant above ground and its relation to its environment. This includes the manner in which plants feed on air, how the sap flows, and how plants are propagated.

Under the subject of fruit trees, grafting, budding, planting and pruning are fully treated.

But perhaps the most interestingly useful sections are those treating of the diseases of plants and insects that are found in the orchard, garden and field. Farm crops, domestic animals, farm dairying and the general life in the country complete the book, which all in all is the most charming volume that has appeared on agriculture, and withal it is authoritative and up to date in its information and methods.

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